

Powers Out

U2 Pilot Resigns CIA Job

25X1A

WASHINGTON — (UPI) —
Former U2 Pilot Francis Gary
Powers has resigned from the
Central Intelligence Agency, it
was learned Friday.

One source said he left the
agency because "his work was
finished."

Powers quit the CIA Oct. 6,
coincidentally just eight days
short of another U2 flight that
subsequently made history as
the Oct. 14 overflight of Cuba
which produced the first hard
evidence of Soviet missile bases
there.

The 33-year-old flier had
been working with CIA head-
quarters here ever since his
return to Washington from a
Soviet prison last winter.

Powers' home town is Pound,
Va. Last August he filed a suit
for divorce from his wife, Bar-
bara, a resident of Milledge-
ville, Ga.

Powers was a CIA employe
when he made his ill-fated sur-
veillance mission of the Soviet
Union May 1, 1960. His capture
when the U2 was downed led
to the collapse of the "summit"
conference in Paris that
month.

Last February, Powers was
set free from a 10-year Soviet
prison sentence in exchange for
Russian Master Spy Rudolf
Abel.